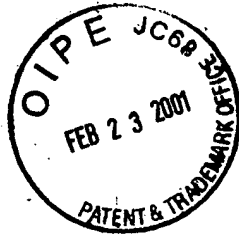


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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
YOSHIHIRO ISHIDA, ET AL. ) : Examiner: Unassigned  
Application No.: 09/769,363 ) : Group Art Unit: Unknown  
Filed: January 26, 2001 ) :  
For: IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS) February 23, 2001  
EFFECTIVE FOR PREVENTING :  
COUNTERFEITING OF A )  
COPY-PROHIBITION OBJECT :

The Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under  
37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under  
37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is  
directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form  
PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are enclosed.

Applicants submit that no fee is required for consideration of this information since it is being submitted within three (3) months of the filing date.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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